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SUBJ: REPUBLIC OF KOREA SEEKS DIPLOMATIC RECOGNITION FROM GOP.

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1. KOREAN CONSUL GENERAL PARK TOLD POL COUNSELOR IN COURSE OF SEPTEMBER 19 CONVERSATION THAT HE HAD RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS FROM SEOUL SEPTEMBER 14 TO SUBMIT FORMAL PROPOSAL TO GOP THAT IT RECOGNIZE ROK. INSTRUCTIONS SUGGESTED THAT HE ATTEMPT HAVE PROPOSAL PLACED BEFORE BHUTTO PRIOR LATTER'S DEPARTURE FOR U.S.

2. PARK SAID HE CONVEYED PROPOSAL TO FOREIGN MINISTRY ADDITIONAL SECRETARY ALTAF SHAIKH SEPTEMBER 15, WITH REQUEST THAT BHUTTO BE APPRISED OF ROK APPROACH. SHAIKH WAS NON-COMMITAL REGARD SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSAL, BUT AGREED MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO SEE THAT BHUTTO WAS MADE AWARE OF IT. PARK DOES NOT KNOW WHETHER PROPOSAL ACTUALLY WAS CONVEYED TO BHUTTO PRIOR HIS DEPARTURE BUT THINKS IT RATHER UNLIKELY SINCE BHUTTO DEPARTED PAKISTAN ONLY FEW HOURS AFTER PARK'S MEETING WITH SHAIKH.

3. PARK COMMENTED THAT HE UNDERSTOOD IT WAS STILL USG
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INTENTION TO RAISE QUESTION OF GOP POLICY TOWARD KOREA

DURING BHUTTO'S U.S. VISIT, AND SAID THAT HE WOULD
APPRECIATE ANY INFO ON OUTCOME WASHINGTON TALKS ON THIS
TOPIC. POL COUNSELOR REPLIED THAT HE DID NOT KNOW
WHETHER KOREAN ITEM WAS IN FACT ON AGENDA OF WASHINGTON
TALKS BUT WOULD CONVEY PARK'S REQUEST TO DEPARTMENT.
SANDERHOFF.

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